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SUBJECT: CURRENT STATUS OF PROHIBITION ON SHIPPING TRADE
WITH CUBA

REF: ATHENS 7084

1. THE U.S. FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1961 AS AMENDED
(PARTICULARLY SECTION 620 THEREOF) PROHIBITS FINANCIAL
ASSISTANCE UNDER THE ACT TO ANY COUNTRY WHICH PERMITS
SHIPS UNDER ITS REGISTRY TO CARRY GOODS TO OR FROM
CUBA SO LONG AS CUBA IS GOVERNED BY THE COMMUNIST
REGIME. THIS ACT DOES NOT APPLY TO FMS CREDITS AND
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THUS GREECE'S USE OF FMS CREDITS WOULD NOT BE JEOPARDIZED

IF GREEK SHIPS WERE TO ENGAGE IN CUBAN TRADE. THIS ACT ALSO DOES NOT APPLY TO CCC CREDITS, BUT SECTION 103 (D)(3) OF THE AGRICULTURE TRADE AND ASSISTANCE DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1954, AS AMENDED, (P.L. 480) PROHIBITS TITLE I SALES OF AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES TO COUNTRIES WHICH PERMIT THEIR SHIPS TO ENGAGE IN CUBAN TRADE.

2. IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE PROVISIONS OF LAW, EXECUTIVE ACTION OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT PROHIBITS ANY INDIVIDUAL VESSEL WHICH HAS ENGAGED IN CUBAN TRADE FROM CARRYING U.S. OWNED OR FINANCED CARGOES, INCLUDING THOSE FINANCED BY

STATE, DEFENSE, AGRICULTURE AND AID. HOWEVER, FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS MEASURE, EXIM-FINANCED CARGOES ARE NOT CONSIDERED TO BE U.S. GOVERNMENT FINANCED. U.S. GOVERNMENT EXECUTIVE ACTION ALSO PROHIBITS BUNKERING IN U.S. PORTS TO INDIVIDUAL VESSELS ENGAGED IN THE CUBAN TRADE.

3. WILL CABLE ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION ASAP. KISSINGER

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